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Taft Comes Down Flatfooted for Honest Revision of Tariff in His Statement to Congress Conferees

Says Free Raw Material and Corporation Tax Provision Must Stand.

Leaves No Doubt as to How He Will Act if His Wishes Are Ignored.

Washington, July 17.—The general impression today, from a statement made by President Taft after 23 congressmen had called and asked that certain things be taken off the free list is that the president is going to enforce his campaign promise for a revision downward. This statement is believed to mean when it comes to individual schedules he will insist that they be no higher than actual demands to preserve the life of industries.

The conferees have decided to pass the differences up to the white house. President Taft will largely dictate the schedules, it is said, and his hardest task will be getting sufficient votes in both houses to pass them. No one believed he will have much difficulty in the house, but the senate probably will prove obstinate. Senator Bristow today declared Taft's statement yesterday "greatly strengthens the hands of the progressives."

Taft Revision Downward.
Washington, July 17.—All doubt as to where President Taft stands with regard to the downward revision of the tariff was swept away when a statement was given out at the white house setting forth in detail what the president had to say to the twenty-three Republican members of congress who called to protest against putting raw materials on the free list.

The president in this statement declared that the Republican party is committed to downward revision; that he has never had any other idea of the Chicago platform, and that he personally has promised downward revision of the people.

Will Veto Bill.
This statement is interpreted in some quarters here as direct notification to the tariff conferees that if the measure finally agreed upon does not constitute a material reduction in specific duties the president will veto it.

Dictated in the third person, the statement concludes with this final word of the president's attitude as outlined to his callers: "He felt strongly the call of the country for downward revision within the limits of the protective principle, and he hoped to be able to respond to that call as he heard it, as well in the interests of the party as of the country."

The president's statement created a decided sensation among the senators and representatives who became acquainted with its contents. Aldrich made no direct comment upon it, but said the conferees had decided to let Taft deal with the schedules upon which they could not agree, it being up to the president to secure the votes necessary to pass the measure in the form in which it would be reported out of the conference as a result of his mediation.

Speaker Cannon declared that the statement contained nothing to which any good Republican could object. Other Republicans took the same view, while Senator Bristow, of Kansas, one of the progressives, declared that it strengthens the hands of the progressives.

Silent Heretofore.
The president has been careful heretofore to let no impression gain ground that he was dictating to congress. He always declared that he hoped a satisfactory bill would be framed in accordance with party pledges. His reticence in the past has lent more weight than would ordinarily be attached to such a statement as was given out this afternoon.

The president asserts for the first time his authority as a titular head of his party. As such he announces his conviction that the party platform meant revision downward, and that not other interpretation can be placed upon it.

The president, according to the official statement, declares that in so far as his influence went when he could only act in connection with legislation, it would be thrown in the direction of performing the promises of the party as he understood them; and that if from ore, oil, coal and hides did not need protection and conditions were such as to enable the ore producers, oil producers, coal producers and producers of hides to compete successfully without a reduction of wages with producers from abroad, then they did not need the duty and their articles should go on the free list.

Promise of Party.
It was a question of fact which he hoped to make up his mind with re-

NEEDLE IN HIS HEART.
Des Moines, July 17.—Rev. D. Babcock, of Marshalltown, a well known temperance worker and lecturer, killed himself this morning. He had been suffering from heart disease. He asked his wife for needles and when she was out of the room he pushed one into his heart.

spect to, on such evidence as was available to him, in order to carry out what he understood to be the promises of the party to the whole people. He said he felt that his position as titular head of the Republican party and as president, with the whole people as his constituency, gave him a broader point of view than that of a single member of congress in respect to the articles produced in his district.

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Five Articles Delay Conferees.
Twenty-four hours would see the end of the work of the conferees on the tariff bill and a substantial agreement on the questions at issue, but for five propositions—iron ore, coal, hides, oil and lumber—upon which the president stands firm for radical reductions, or even abolition, of the tariff.

Great progress was made by the conferees today. A preponderance of differences in nearly all the schedules has been adjusted. In each schedule, however, there are some few items that have necessitated investigation in order to enable the conferees to get together. A number of these inquiries have not been completed. This is true of lead products, increase made by hand on gloves and wood pulp and print paper contest.

Rates on silks and woolen goods were determined today, the senate winning on both. Silks will be advanced while woolens remain practically as at present. Conferees agreed to accept senate amendments increasing about 15 per cent of the existing duties on wines, spirits and liquors.

The agricultural products schedule has been completed, although many of the rates agreed upon are only tentative. The senate was compelled to concede on a great many of its advances in this schedule. It has been stated that a number of increases were added by the senate without any serious intention of insisting on them in the conference. Because of the pressure brought to bear upon the committee for the retention of many of these increases it was decided not to make any of these rates public.

TO COLLECT BACK TAXES.
Revenue Agents Will Be Instructed to Institute Suits.

Frankfort, Ky., July 17.—State Auditor James is preparing a list of back taxes, two years overdue in the various counties of the state, which he will place in the hands of revenue agents with instructions to institute suits to recover. When the new sheriffs are elected this fall the auditor hopes to make them more energetic in many sections of the state in the collection of taxes.

BISHOP'S MOTHER DIES AT HER HOME IN CONNECTICUT

Plainsville, Conn., July 17. (Special.)—Mrs. Caroline Woodcock, mother of Episcopal Bishop Woodcock, of Kentucky, died this morning.

Elks Close Convention

Los Angeles, July 17.—Today is the last of the grand lodge meeting of Elks. The day is devoted to sight-seeing. A barbecue was held at the ranch of "Lucky" Baldwin, where ten thousand pounds have been prepared.

Snell Was Insane

Clinton, Ill., July 17.—Following the finding of the jury that Col. Snell was insane at the time of drawing his will, a motion for a new trial is being prepared today. If it is denied the case will be appealed to the supreme court.

THE WEATHER.

Fair and continued warm tonight and Sunday. Highest temperature yesterday, 92; Lowest today, 73.

FAMINE AND SUFFERING IN SOUTH EUROPE

Southern France and Earthquake Shaken Parts of Greece in Destitution—Trouble Not Over at Teheran, it is Feared.

Athens, July 17.—Reports from Ellis province still come slowly. Conditions are serious. Troops are being hurried to the front by the government. It is declared a famine is probable and relief measures are being planned. Many peasants left their homes and are wandering aimlessly about, fearing more shocks.

Vintners Are Suffering.
Paris, July 17.—Seven trains of provisions and clothing are sent to the relief of stricken districts in southern France by the government today. The famine is the result of the falling off of wine sales, which ruined hundreds of vineyard men.

No Peace for Teheran.
Teheran, July 17.—Despite the action of the national parliament in the deposing of Mohammed Ali and naming Ahmed Mirza, 12 years old, shah, conditions today are more threatening than ever. Three political parties are dissatisfied with the choice and are creating discontent. Street fighting is expected to be renewed today.

Engravers Strike.
San Francisco, July 17.—As the result of a strike of engravers, local morning newspapers appeared today for the first time in 20 years without illustrations.

Boston's Manager Resigns.
Boston, July 17.—Frank Bowerman, manager of the Boston Nationals, resigned this morning. Catcher Harry Smith was appointed to run the team.

Two Killed on Trolley.
New Bremen, O., July 17.—Two men were killed today when the trolleyman lost control of his car on a sharp curve. The car jumped the track. Several passengers were severely injured.

Mother and Children Suffocate.
Chicago, July 17.—Mrs. Joseph Schenkele and her two children were found dead this morning by her husband. She went to the room with the children last night, apparently in good health and spirits. She turned on the gas. Her husband slept in a different part of the house. He smelled gas this morning and went to the room and found the bodies. Another daughter in a different room was unaffected.

NEW YORK FANS WELCOME MIKE DOWLIN AT STATION

New York, July 17.—A big crowd of fans gathered at the central station and greeted Mike Dowlin, who arrived today. Mike said he would play with the Giants the rest of the season if President Brush would accede to his terms.

MOTHER CHARGED WITH MURDERING CHILDREN.

Des Moines, July 17.—Mrs. William Oliphant is held in her own home under guard. She is arrested on the charge of murdering her child. She poisoned three children and herself early this week. One child died. Since the tragedy it was found Oliphant had sued R. E. Sully for \$10,000 for alienating his wife's affections. He owned the house in which the Oliphants lived.

ANGRY MOB TAKES THEIR PRISONER FROM 2 OFFICERS

Cannel City, Ky., July 17. (Special.)—A mob of infuriated friends released Grover Whittaker from the custody of two Oklahoma officers, who arrested him here today. He was wanted at Ardmore, Oklahoma, for wife shooting. They left without the prisoner.

Killed By Interurban Wreck.
Warsaw, Ind., July 17.—One man was killed and three injured in a collision between cars of the Winona Interurban railroad at Arnold today. The south-bound car ran into an open switch, where a northbound was waiting for it to pass.

Co. Republicans Name Ticket.

Every County Office, Excepting That of Surveyor, Has Candidate—Who the Men Are.

COUNTY REPUBLICAN TICKET.
Judge—T. N. Hazelp.
Co. Attorney—Wm. Husbands.
Representative—W. T. Miller.
County Court Clerk—Dr. H. F. Williamson.
Circuit Court Clerk—J. W. Fry.
Sheriff—T. E. Ford.
Jailer—John Dunaway.
Assessor—Alfred Collier.
Coroner—Dr. J. S. Troutman.
School Superintendent—L. B. Alexander.

MAGISTRATES.
First District—U. S. Walston.
Second District—J. J. Bleich.
Fourth District—John J. Clark.
Fifth District—G. M. Spitzer.
Sixth District—W. A. Dunaway.
Seventh District—J. A. Chapman.
Eighth District—Oscar Coryell.
CONSTABLES.
Fourth District—J. W. Wharton.
Fifth District—Lee Corder.
Eighth District—Thomas Fortson.

What is considered by the Republicans to be the strongest ticket ever placed before the voters of McCracken county, was named at the Republican convention at the court house this afternoon. The convention was called to order by County Chairman E. E. Bell, and City Attorney Arthur Y. Martin was elected temporary chairman, after which the temporary organization was made permanent.

John Egester, the colored lawyer, was elected secretary. Messrs. Earl Palmer, David Browning and J. R. Culp were appointed on the resolutions committee.

The withdrawal of J. K. Bondurant at the last moment from the race for county court clerk left the convention without a contest, and the ticket above mentioned was named by the convention without a dissenting voice.

T. N. Hazelp, candidate for county judge, is a well known young attorney.

William Husbands, a young attorney and candidate for county attorney, is the state auditor's agent, who brought to light the alleged peculations of former County Clerk Hiram Smedley, covering a period of ten years.

W. T. Miller, candidate for the legislature, was an alderman several terms and chairman of the finance committee. Perhaps, no other man in Paducah is better acquainted with the needs of second class cities, and in the legislature, it is believed, he would be of unusual service in securing for the city charter reforms needed to insure the tax payers value received.

Dr. Harry Williamson, candidate for county court clerk, was city physician, is well known and would make an efficient head of that fiscal office, which has been badly abused in the hands of a man of bad habits.

J. W. Fry, candidate for circuit clerk, is a well known and respected farmer and mill man of Melber.

T. E. Ford, candidate for sheriff, was an alderman in that general council, which in two years cleaned up several sections of the city of disorderly places.

John Dunaway, candidate for jailer, is a clerk for Biederman, and considered a man competent to bring efficiency of administration and discipline to the institution.

Alfred Collier, candidate for assessor, is a popular farmer of Florence Station.

Dr. J. S. Troutman, candidate for coroner, is a prominent physician, and a man of probity and ability.

L. B. Alexander, candidate for county school superintendent, is a law student, an experienced teacher and well known in the county.

For magistrates a list of men of remarkable ability is presented from the districts. They are known to their own people and were asked to stand for the office, none of them seeking it for personal reasons.

The same may be said of the candidates for constable. It is probable that vacancies will be filled by the committee.

Boyanian Jury Disagrees.

Detroit, July 17.—The jury in the Boyanian murder trial disagreed and was dismissed shortly before daylight this morning. The jury stood 8 for conviction and four acquittal. It is believed Boyanian is insane. He was on trial for killing Hartoon Gostanian, his nephew, in the police court.

Determined to Wed.

Determined to wed the man of her choice, despite parental opposition, Frances E. Churchill, of Murray, climbed out of her bedroom window last night, shoeless, and by means of a tree, the limbs of which reached her window, clambered to the ground, where her lover, James W. Shelton, was waiting with a buggy. They drove to this city in the night and took the morning train for Metropolis, where they were married by Magistrate Thomas Liggett. They returned on the Cowlings this afternoon and will go to Murray for forgiveness. The couple tried to elope once before, but were intercepted.

Immense Strike Fund Raised in Pittsburgh

Pittsburgh, July 17.—Streets of McKee's Rock today are patrolled by mounted guards, breaking up meetings of the strikers and making sight-seers move on. Strikers are unorganized, having difficulty in making a concentrated fight. They appealed to an attorney this morning to tell them what they might do to push their fight. There was no disorder last night, but it is feared rioting may start at any time.

A big fund for strikers was started this morning at a mass meeting. Three thousand men attended. Nearly \$10,000 were subscribed.

A public defense association in the interest of taxpayers of Allegheny county, made a move this afternoon to end the strike at the pressed steel

CURTIS REMAINS FOR FIFTY-THREE MINUTES IN AIR

New York, July 17.—Driving his aeroplane "Goldbug" about the Hempstead Plains, Long Island at the rate of 50 miles an hour, Glenn Curtis circled the field seven times, remaining in the air 53 minutes and traveling slightly over 29 miles.

Women Sail Aloft.
St. Louis, July 17.—The balloon St. Louis, Capt. H. E. Honeywell, sailed this afternoon with three women passengers. It is the first flight of the kind made here. One woman is Mrs. Honeywell, another is Adah Miller. The name of the third is kept secret.

Wrights Have Eleven Days.
Washington, July 17.—With 11 days in which to complete their speed and endurance tests Wright brothers are making changes in starting the machinery at the Ft. Myer parade grounds. They are putting up an extra starting tripod and adding starting weights so they can make flights under more adverse weather conditions than at present.

Third District Republicans.
Hopkinsville, Ky., July 17. (Special.)—The Republican committee of the Third judicial district today called a mass convention at the court house at Kuttawa at 1 o'clock on August 17.

Cairo K. C. Coming

Cairo, Ill., July 17.—Cairo Knights of Columbus decided at a meeting held Thursday night to have a river trip to Paducah for the lodge members and their friends. They will leave on the Dick Fowler at 9 a. m. and leave Paducah at 6 p. m. They will make the trip Sunday, July 25. A committee was appointed to make arrangements for the outing and report to the lodge at their next meeting night.

Chicago Market.

	July—	High.	Low.	Close.
Wheat	1.22	1.20	1.20 1/4	
Corn	.69 1/2	.69	.69 3/4	
Oats	.46 1/2	.45 1/4	.45 1/2	
	Sept.—	High.	Low.	Close.
Prov.	21.00	20.80	20.80	
Lard	11.72	11.65	11.65	
Ribs	11.45	11.30	11.40	

Chicago, July 17.—The descent of July wheat continued at the opening, but the decline was more gradual than yesterday. Patten stopped the campaign and turned attention to September wheat, which he is buying despite the bearish weather conditions.

ONE FOUND GUILTY RUEF HUNTER CASE

MARCELLUS RINEHART GETS LIFE AND OTHERS ACQUITTED.

JURY RECOMMENDS MERCY OF THE COURT.

Clarksville, Tenn., July 17. (Special.)—Marcellus Rinehart was found guilty of murder in the first degree by a jury in the circuit court here this morning for the murder of Ruef Hunter, whose death a man named Adkins was alleged to have instigated. The verdict also found mitigating circumstances and recommended the mercy of the court. This means a life sentence.

The same jury acquitted James Davis and Will and Jesse Nicholson, charged with conspiracy. Rinehart is accused of killing Al Fielder also.

The fate of Marcellus Rinehart, James Davis and Will and Jesse Nicholson was placed in the hands of the jury last evening. Judge Tyler delivered a strong charge to the jury for the enforcement of the law and punishment of persons guilty of the murder of Ruef Hunter. He said if a band of lawless men should go at night to the home of a peaceful citizen and wilfully shoot him in cold blood and without provocation, the killing, if death followed, would be murder in the first degree. And no matter who was the actual perpetrator of the crime, all would be equally guilty, provided they assented to the act at the time or agreed to conceal the crime.

Continuing, he said: On the night of June 6, 1908, Rufus Hunter, one of our best citizens, was called to his door at midnight and shot down without provocation by a number of persons to him and his family unknown. Many shots were fired into the house where he lived with his wife and children. Then, with a remark from the road that he had been talking too much about the night riders, the band departed as secretly as they had come. As they left someone called "Jim," speaking presumably to one of his comrades. Hunter's wife was in the room with him, and not far away when he was mortally wounded. His children, nearly all girls, slept in the room above him, and soon gathered about the bed of their dying father. His eldest daughter, when all was quiet, ran out and rang the farm bell in the night to alarm the neighbors.

"Hunter was a good man, supposed to be without enemies. He was a man devotedly religious and by nature of kindly disposition. Who the man were that thus murdered him in the bosom of his family and what their motive was a mystery to him during the few remaining hours of life that were left him. Yet he was surely murdered in the most cowardly way and without provocation, by a number of men who came to his house at midnight and awoke him from his sleep. These four defendants stand here now charged with the grave crime. I ask you to give the evidence for and against them the most serious consideration."

No Reward to Witnesses.

He said witnesses in the case had been promised no reward; that not one of them would ever receive a cent except their legitimate fees as witnesses. That this case had no connection with the Dark Tobacco Growers' association and farmers in this community were being ruined by such lawlessness. That there was not a line in the record to show any association of farmers in this county, secret or open, had ever countenanced such a crime. That there was a small band of men in one corner of the county that is about to bring us "all in disrepute."

"Their misdeeds cannot be charged to the country, and cannot be charged to the town, but unless they are checked it will be a standing reflection upon us all. Every man on the jury, and myself and the whole county, is held responsible for their frequent and flagrant crimes. This condition of affairs must end. This open defiance of the law must be stamped out, and stamped out by the juries of the county, no matter where the jurors hail from. I speak to you plainly because the time has come to speak plainly. The thing to do is to teach them all that it is a serious thing to defy the law as they have been doing."

Autoists Killed

New York, July 17.—Edward Hurley was killed, Allen Parry was hurt and two others were severely injured this morning when their auto collided with an express train at Winfield crossing of the Long Island railroad.

BANK CLEARINGS AND THE OUTLOOK FOR BUSINESS

BANK CLEARINGS.
This week \$746,820
Last Week 756,016

With the farmer busy with bumper crops, the city residents off at summer resorts, the bank clearings denote considerable activity considering the weather and the fact that it is a period between seasons. Almost every merchant on Broadway is making his store a mecca with bargain sales, and the attractive offerings which are well advertised are bringing in good results.

The midsummer dullness is on, but all of the merchants report much better business this year than last year. Many traveling salesmen have dropped the grip for a month, and are now resting. However, they will be ready to greet their customers with the same old smile next month. The purchase of holiday goods will begin next month, and this year Santa Claus promises to have a bountiful supply of novelties.

In speaking of the new buildings that have been erected in Paducah this year, a prominent architect said: "If business continues until winter like it has this building season it will be my best season since I have been in Paducah and that has been a number of years. The building trade suffered a severe blow by the panic, but now I view it as a benefit to the city since business has begun to revive. Take before 1907 and the tendency was to erect cheap houses all over the city without regard to the handsome homes in the neighborhood. Now these cheap houses are vacant, and the tendency is to build substantial dwellings and particular flats. I have had all I could handle this year, and the prospects are good for work to continue right up until winter."

Marine Reporter is Drowned.
Port Huron, Mich., July 17.—Anthony Conkey, marine reporter, was drowned today when trying to board the steam barge Wodford, on which his brother, Captain Conkey, was starting on a vacation trip. He rowed to the barge and threw up a line. The boat upset and he was carried under the barge. His brother sprang overboard, but was unable to rescue him.

FIVE HUNDRED ACRES OF FARM LAND UNDER WATER

Farmers who live near the river say that the high water is greatly damaging their farms. Whole corn fields are submerged and there are 500 hundred acres under water between Paducah and Noble's farm. There is also much wheat which will be ruined by the rising water, and probably thousands of dollars worth of farm products destroyed.